

**From:** [Greg Fife](#)  
**To:** [Susan Webster](#)  
**Subject:** Re: RE: ? EPA financial assistance still needed . . .  
**Date:** 10/15/2012 11:26 AM

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Really?

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**From:** Susan Webster  
**Sent:** 10/15/2012 12:10 PM EDT  
**To:** Greg Fife  
**Cc:** Ragan Broyles  
**Subject:** Fw: RE: ? EPA financial assistance still needed . . .

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**From:** Mike Frazier  
**Sent:** 10/15/2012 09:49 AM MDT  
**To:** Philip Dellinger; Stacey Dwyer  
**Cc:** Michael Overbay; Susan Webster  
**Subject:** Fw: RE: ? EPA financial assistance still needed . . .

Via phone this morning, Jim Welsh and Gary Ross stated that Louisiana still needs financial assistance from EPA. That message came directly from the DNR secretary.

To date, they estimate that DNR has spent approximately \$2 million on the Bayou Corne response, and anticipate that \$5-6 million will be spent before resolution. Even though the facts now point to the cavern as the cause, DNR believes recovering funds from Texas Brine may take quite some time and involve litigation.

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To: Mike Frazier/R6/USEPA/US@EPA  
From: Gary Ross <Gary.Ross@LA.GOV>  
Date: 10/15/2012 10:15AM  
Cc: Philip Dellinger/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, Stacey Dwyer/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael Overbay/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, Joe Ball <Joe.Ball@LA.GOV>, Laurence Bland <Laurence.Bland@LA.GOV>  
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Mike, Commissioner Welsh, Joe Ball and I will be calling you within 10 minutes.

**From:** Mike Frazier [mailto:Frazier.Mike@epamail.epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 15, 2012 10:14 AM  
**To:** Gary Ross  
**Cc:** Philip Dellinger; Stacey Dwyer; Michael Overbay; Joe Ball; Laurence Bland  
**Subject:** ? EPA financial assistance still needed . . .

Gary,

I left a message with your office this morning. I was asked to contact DNR as to whether federal funds are still needed since DNR has apparently identified Texas Brine as the responsible party for the Bayou Corne events. Thanks for your quick response; call me at (b) (6) with any questions.

Thanks,

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